

June 28, 2001

Brigadier General Roosevelt Mercer Jr.  
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Dear General Mercer:

Please allow me to express my sincere appreciation to your Family Support Center Staff, in particular Mr. Ron Bublik, Mrs. Elizabeth Waters, Mr. Steve McDaniel and Mr. Eddie Hodge, for their outstanding support of the recent Tri-County Job Fair held in Pascagoula, Mississippi. According to Mr. Joe Buckner, my Military Transition Assistance Advisor, and Mr. Terry Carter, President of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, the job fair was a resounding success with 72 companies participating, 3,500 job seekers in attendance and over 600 people receiving job offers.

Mr. Buckner was tasked with developing this job fair with very little advance notice due to pending company closures in Jackson County. He immediately called Mr. Ron Bublik and asked for his assistance. Mr. Bublik took on the job of being the local focal point for the job fair and also provided Mr. Buckner with administrative assistance. Mrs. Waters, Mr. McDaniel and Mr. Hodge played a vital role in coordinating the registration of employers and tracking job seekers on the day of the job fair. Employers indicated that this was one of the best-run job fairs they have attended.

Please convey my appreciation to Ron, Liz, Steve and Eddie for a job well done. Their efforts helped numerous military and civilian personnel in their search for employment. Their assistance also demonstrates the strong bond between Keesler Air Force Base and the local Mississippi Gulf Coast community.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to call on me if I may be of further assistance.

Very truly yours,

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